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C O N F I D E N T I A L BLANTYRE 0107

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, MZ
SUBJWC WAYA, DR. GILBERTO

1. SUBJECT IS HONORARY CONSUL FOR MALAWI IN MOZAMBIQUE. HE IS MOZAMBIQUE CITIZEN, APPROXIMATELY 30 YEARS OF AGE, WITH BSC DEGREE FROM DEPAUW UNIV IN US WHERE HE LIVED FOR SOME TEN YEARS. ON RETURN TO MOZAMBIQUE IN 1973, HE WAS EMPLOYED BY JORGE JARDIM AS HONORARY VICE CONSUL FOR MALAWI, INITIALLY AT NACALA. WHEN PORTUGUESE GOVT AND JARDIM FELL OUT AFTER APRIL 1974, WAYA WAS NAMED HONORARY CONSUL ALSO FOR BEIRA. HIS ADDRESS PREDICO ASSOCIACCO COMMERCIAL PRACA-GAGO COUTINH, BOX 1026, BEIRA. HE IS PRESENTABLE YOUNG MAN, SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH IN ADDITION PORTUGUESE.

2. WAYA CALLED AT EMBASSY JAN 22 TO SEEK ASSISTANCE FOR FURTHER EDUCATION IN US. HE FRANKLY ADMITTED THAT HE IS CONCERNED WITH DIRECTION EVENTS ARE MOVING IN MOZAMBIQUE AND SUGGESTED HE WOULD BE GLAD "GET OUT". CLAIMED HE KNEW OF SOME 60 MOZAMBIQUENS STUDYING ABROAD WHO WOULD NOT RETURN MOZAMBIQUE UNDER CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES.

3. WAYA WAS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF FRELIMO, CITING SEVERAL INSTANCES OF REPRESSION "WORSE THAN PORTUGUESE". IN BEIRA, HE CLAIMED, A CZECH-TRAINED MOZAMBIQUEN PHYSICIAN (AND FRIEND OF HIS) HAD BEEN JAILED FOR ATTEMPTING START PRIVATE PRACTICE. NO ONE DARES VOICE OPINION PUBLICALLY BUT ANTI-
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FRELIMO FEELING IS WIDESPREAD. WAYA SAID HE ANTICIPATES

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CIVIL UNREST AND PERHJPS CIVIL WAR GIVEN DISLIKE BETWEEN
BEIRA AREA RESIDE TS AND ILL'MANNERED, DICTATORIAL FRELIMO.

4. COMMENT: WAXS IS APPARENTLY HELD IN HIGH RESPECT BY
MALAWI GOVO, HAVING BEEN INVITED TO OFFICIAL DINNER IN
CONNECTION UK FONSEC CALLAGHAN VISIT EARLIER THIS MONTH.
HOWEVER HE APPEARED UNIMPRESSED WITH HIS CONSULAR RESPON-
SIBILITIES WHICH HE SAID CONSISTED IN THE MAIN OF
EXPEDITING SHIPMENTS TO AND FROM MALAWI. HE GAVE
IMPRESSION OF SOMEWHAT FRIGHTENED YOUNG MAN WHO DEFINITELY
IS LOOKING FOR WAY OUT OF MOZAMBIQUE. WE SUGGESTED THAT
HE AT SOME POINT MIGHT WISH CONTACT CONSUL REED IN LOURENCO
MARQUES FOR INFO ON POSSIBLE TRAINING (IN ACTUALITY, TO
GIVE LM OPPORTUNITY HEAR STORY AND EVALUATE SOURCE
PERSONALLY).
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